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Christmas in July planned at Mississinewa Lake

The public and campers are invited to join us for an assortment of activities at Mississinewa Lake's Christmas in July from 8:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Saturday, July 17 at 4673 S. 625 East, Peru. The Campsite Decorating Awards will be at 9:30 a.m. Sunday, July 18 at the Interpretive Shelter. Campsite reservations may be made by visiting camp.in.gov or calling 866-622-6746. Property entrance fees apply of \$7 per in-state vehicle and \$9 per out-of-state vehicle. State Park annual entrance passes are available for purchase at the property gate.

Open house presents new Christian school satellite location

Columbus Christian School superintendent Kendall Wilder will be meeting with parents and their children at 6:30 p.m. Sunday, July 18 at Victory Christian Fellowship, 112 W. Main St., North Manchester. FaithPrep Academy of Indiana (FAI) is part of a network of private online schools provided through Faith Academics and powered by Stride K12. FAI received accreditation this past month by the Indiana Board of Education (IBOE). Victory Christian Fellowship approved using their facility as a North Manchester satellite school location. For more information, email markeastway@gmail.com or nikkiwottring@victorynm.org, call 260-982-8657 or visit www.faithprep.com or www.victorynm.org/faithprep.

Chanticleer String Quartet to perform at Honeywell House

The Chanticleer String Quartet featuring Stefan

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2021 Wabash County 4-H Fair starts

Events are scheduled to continue through Friday, July 23

By ROB BURGESS

Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

After a year like none other last year, organizers of this year's Wabash County 4-H Fair are hoping for a more normal experience.

Purdue Extension Wabash County 4-H youth development director said a change from last year's fair was that the animals would be staying at the Wabash County Fairgrounds overnight in-

stead of being taken home.

"We're planning for animals to stay overnight so the public can come and see them. I think that's a big enjoyment of the fair is the kids to see the animals and different things like that, so we're excited to bring that back this year," said Huston.

In previous years animals also had to be removed from the fairgrounds because the weather was just too hot.

"The animals' safety is very important to us, so if the weather would be too harsh for these animals we would make a plan to remove them

from the grounds. Last year we had beautiful fair weather. I think that's the best I've ever seen. We're hoping for that, but that's something we can't control," said Huston.

Huston said every 4-H'er who participates in the fair belongs to one of about 20 clubs that meet regularly throughout Wabash County.

"Some are specialty. Rabbit and poultry is a club. Shooting sports is a club. They learn specifically about those opportunities. They meet all the way up until the fair," said Huston.

The fair itself began Friday, July 16 and continues through Friday, July 23. Scheduled events include:

Saturday, July 17

■ 8 a.m. – Tractor Driving Contest at the Fairgrounds.
■ 8:30 a.m. – Obedience Agility Dog Show.
■ Noon to 8 p.m. – Junior Leaders Full Service Food Trailer is open serving breakfast, lunch, dinner and snacks.
■ 2 p.m. – Horse and Pony Show Day Two.

Monday, July 19

■ 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. – Ju-

nior Leaders Full Service Food Trailer is open serving breakfast, lunch, dinner and snacks.

■ 8 a.m. – Beef and Mini Beef Show at the Show Arena.

■ Noon – Rabbit Ambassador at the Rabbit Barn.

■ 3 p.m. – Dairy Show at the Show Arena.

■ 4 p.m. – Rabbit Show at the Rabbit Barn.

■ 6 p.m. Mini 4-H King and Queen Contest in the Show Arena. Come watch the Mini 4-H King and Queen Contest. Mini

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Addressing the ongoing blood shortage



Photos by Rob Burgess / Plain Dealer

Urbana Yoke Parish Community Center has also scheduled a blood drive from 2 to 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 11 at 16 E. Half St., Urbana.

YPWC, GWC, Red Cross plan drive for Wednesday; other local dates available

By ROB BURGESS

Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

Nationwide, there is a severe shortage of available blood and local organizations are coming together to help address the need.

The Young Professionals of Wabash County (YPWC), Grow Wabash County (GWC) and the American Red Cross are now registering donors for a blood drive to be held from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday, July 21 at the Heartland REMC building, 350 Wedcor Ave., said GWC project manager for marketing and events Chelsea Boulrisse.

"Blood is a perishable prod-

uct that can only come from volunteer blood donors. With someone in the U.S. needing blood every two seconds, blood products must be constantly replenished, according to the Red Cross," said Boulrisse. "There is currently a severe national blood shortage. One donation can potentially save three lives.

Boulrisse said donors with all blood types are needed, especially those with types O negative, A negative and B negative.

American Red Cross Indiana regional communications director LaMar Holliday said those giving platelets are also urged to make an appointment to give now.



Donors with all blood types are needed, especially those with types O negative, A negative and B negative.

"Right now, the Red Cross needs to collect more than 1,000 additional blood donations each day to meet current demand as hospitals respond to an unusually high number of traumas and emergency room visits, organ transplants

and elective surgeries," said Holliday.

Holliday said the increased demand is being driven by patients who previously deferred care during the

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Local COVID-19 advisory level back up to yellow

The increased spread comes as Wabash County's vaccination rates continue to lag

By ROB BURGESS

Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

During the Wednesday, July 14 weekly Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) update, Wabash County's COVID-19 advisory level rose from blue, the lowest category, to yellow, the second-lowest.

This uptick in new local infections comes as Wabash County, along with other rural areas, continues to lag behind the rest of the state in COVID-19 vaccinations.

As of Friday, July 16, a total of 5,746,173 vaccine doses have been administered in Indiana. This includes 2,857,784 first doses and 2,888,389 individuals who are fully vaccinated. The fully vaccinated number represents individuals who have received a second dose of the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines and those who received the single Johnson & Johnson vaccine.

In all, a total of 49.6 percent of the state's population age 16 and over are fully vaccinated, according to the ISDH vaccine dashboard.

However, in zip code 46992, which includes Wabash, only 37.1 percent of those eligible have been fully vaccinated.

State officials said this lack of widespread vaccination has contributed to the recent

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Manchester to build a tower for Chime's 100th anniversary

Historic bells are scheduled to come down from Aug. 9 to 11 for restoration

By ANNE GREGORY

The iconic Manchester Chime, quiet since 2019, will sound again next fall to celebrate its 100th anniversary.

Manchester University hired The Verdin Company of Cincinnati, Ohio, to take down and refurbish the existing 10 bells, create four additional bells, and build a new tower structure.

Melanie Harmon, MU vice president for advancement, said the plan is to build an open bell tower in the middle of the Manchester University Mall.



Provided photo

The iconic Manchester Chime, quiet since 2019, will sound again next fall to celebrate its 100th anniversary.

For 97 years, the Chime serenaded students on their way to 8 a.m. classes and sounded again at the dinner

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Kiwanis Bucket Brigade returns for 2021

After taking last year off, the annual fundraiser set for Saturday, July 31

By ROB BURGESS

Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

After being canceled last year due to the COVID-19 pandemic, an annual fundraising event is set to return later this month.

The Wabash Kiwanis Club "will resume its rich tradition" of supporting Riley Hospital for Children with its 24th annual Bucket Brigade fundraiser from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, July 31 at local businesses, said board member Eric Seaman.

"Members of the local Kiwanis Club will stand outside of five area storefronts with buckets in hand for customers to drop in change or cash donations," said Seaman, on



Provided photo

Wabash Kiwanians Greg and Nick Garner raise funds for Riley Hospital for Children through the local service organization's Bucket Brigade fundraiser in 2019.

Friday.

Seaman said all donations collected on this day will go directly to Riley Hospital for Children.

Seaman said the Wabash Kiwanis Club raised \$1,600 during the 2019 event, which

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Salamonie Forest Preschool to begin in September

Programming runs through May 2022

STAFF REPORT

Preschool-age children and their adults are invited to Salamonie Forest Preschool from September 2021 through May 2022, according to interpretive naturalist Teresa Rody.

The class will be offered one Tuesday a month or two Tuesdays a month from 9 a.m. to noon at Salamonie Interpretive Center, 3691 New Holland Road, Andrews, in Lost Bridge West State Recreation Area.

“This unique program is designed to enhance the preschooler’s basic education, including songs, child-

led exploration, climbing, imaginative play, and social interaction in nature,” said Rody. “The children will grow in confidence, balance, strength, compassion, empathy, gratitude and problem-solving. There are many physical, emotional and mental benefits to spending time outside for all ages. The entire class is held outdoors, rain or shine. Dress for the weather.”

Classes for the once a month option will be held Tuesdays including Sept. 14, 2021; Oct. 5, 2021; Nov. 2, 2021; Dec. 7, 2021; Jan. 4, 2022; Feb. 1, 2022; March 1, 2022; April 12, 2022; and May 3, 2022.

Classes for the second meeting time each month will also be held Tuesdays

including Sept. 28, 2021; Oct. 19, 2021; Nov. 16, 2021; Dec. 21, 2021; Jan. 18, 2022; Feb. 15, 2022; March 15, 2022; April 26, 2022; and May 17, 2022.

The program fee for the package of nine once-a-month sessions is \$60 per child ages 3 to 5. Additional siblings are \$35. The program fee for the package of eighteen twice a month sessions is \$100 per child, and additional siblings are \$75. Advance registration is required and includes a program best practices agreement. Limited space is available.

Register by calling 260-468-2127.

For more information, visit dnr.IN.gov/uwis or facebook.com/upperwabash.

FAIR

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4-H’ers may participate. Forms will be given out when they drop their projects off at the fair in the Show Arena. Immediately after, meet the 4-H Queen and Court. Come have cookies and lemonade with the Queen and Court.

Tuesday, July 20

- 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. – Junior Leaders Full Service Food Trailer is open serving breakfast, lunch, dinner and snacks.
- 8 a.m. – Goat Show in the Show Arena including Showmanship, Mini 4-H Goat Show Dairy Goat.
- 12:30 p.m. – Pygmy Goat Show in the Show Arena.
- 3:30 p.m. – Meat Goat Show in the Show Arena.
- 5:30 p.m. – Book to Barn in the Horse Pavillion. The Queen and her court will be reading a book to Kindergartners through third-graders. Come and receive a free book and barn tour.

■ 6 p.m. – Sheep and Mini Sheep Show in the Show Arena, with Mini 4-H Sheep Show immediately after.

Wednesday, July 21

- 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. – Junior Leaders Full Service Food Trailer is open serving breakfast, lunch, dinner and snacks.
- 8 a.m. – Swine Show and Mini 4-H Swine Show in the Show Arena.

Thursday, July 22

- 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. – Junior Leaders Full Service Food Trailer is open serving breakfast, lunch, dinner and snacks.
- 5 to 7 a.m. – Livestock release.
- 9 a.m. – Round Robin Showmanship in the Horse and Show Arena.
- 9 a.m. – Poultry Show in the Poultry Barn.
- 5 p.m. – Round Robin Showmanship in the Horse and Show Arena.
- 3 to 5:30 p.m. – Non-livestock release.
- 8 to 11 p.m. – Livestock release.

- Friday, July 23**
- 7:30 to 9:30 a.m. – Final non-livestock project release.
 - 9 a.m. – Champion photos.
 - 10:30 a.m. – Achievement awards.
 - 11 a.m. – 2022 senior awards and photo.
 - Noon – Lunch provided for the cleanup crew.
 - 1 to 4 p.m. – Clean up fairgrounds.
 - 4 p.m. – Champion check-in.
 - 4:30 p.m. – Parade of champions in the Show Arena. All livestock breed, rate of grain, county born and bred champions, grand champions and showmanship winners will be included, in addition to all non-livestock State Fair winners and county champions. Participants will receive a T-shirt.
 - 5 p.m. 4-H members’ fun night begins.
 - (This year’s 4-H auction will be held online.)
- Rob Burgess, Wabash Plain Dealer editor, may be reached by email at rburgess@wabashplaindealer.com.*

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Sun and Moon

Today's sunset 9:08 p.m.
Tomorrow's sunrise 6:30 a.m.

First 7/17	Full 7/23	Last 7/31	New 8/8

Detailed Local Outlook

Today we will see mostly cloudy skies with a 90% chance of showers and thunderstorms, high temperature of 82°, humidity of 72%. East southeast wind 2 to 6 mph. Expect partly cloudy skies tonight with a 40% chance of showers and thunderstorms, overnight low of 65°. Northeast wind 7 mph.

The faith of Phoenix Suns coach Monty Williams

The reporter tossed a standard question at coach Monty Williams after the Phoenix Suns won the NBA Western Conference finals, asking how he managed to be a tough coach and a sympathetic mentor.

“I tell every new player ... that the essence of my coaching is to serve,” said Williams, the National Basketball Coaches Association’s 2021 coach of the year. “As a believer in Christ, that’s what I’m here for. ... I tell them all the time, if I get on you, I’m not calling you out – I’m calling you up.”

That message meshes well with what superstar Chris Paul writes on his sneakers game after game: “Can’t Give Up Now.” That’s a popular gospel song with this chorus: “I just can’t give up now. I’ve come too far from where I started from. Nobody told me the road would be easy and I don’t believe He’s brought me this far to leave me.”

Williams and Paul have known each other for a decade, with professional and personal ties strengthened by pain and frustration. While Paul’s on-court struggles are well documented, it’s impossible to understand their bond without knowing the details of his coach’s life as a Christian, husband and father of five children.

“The real reason to watch” the playoffs this year, said former ESPN commentator Jason Whitlock, in his “Fearless” podcast, is “that God has placed a messenger inside the NBA’s secular madness. Monty Williams might be the most important man in

Terry Mattingly

The coach’s story “belongs in a new Bible,” said Whitlock. “Five years ago, a 52-year-old white woman high on meth drove her car headfirst into the car driven by Williams’ wife, Ingrid. Three of Williams’ children were also in the car. The white woman died at the scene. ... Ingrid Williams died a day later. Williams’ children survived.”

Williams was a promising Notre Dame freshman when Ingrid – before their marriage – stood by him after doctors said he had hypertrophic cardiomyopathy. Long before experts cleared him to play, Ingrid kept praying and offered this message: “Jesus can heal your heart.”

Drafted by the New York Knicks, Williams began – with a defibrillator course – a nine-year NBA career that led to coaching. He quickly became known for his ability to inspire hope and teach leadership.

Speaking at his wife’s funeral, Williams shared biblical promises that “God is good” and that “in all things, God works for the good of those who love him.” His wife would punch him if he started whining, he said, while admitting that he “didn’t like this part” of God’s plan.

Then Williams appealed for prayers – for the family of the woman who killed his wife.

“We cannot serve the Lord if we do not have a heart of forgiveness,” he said. “That family didn’t wake up wanting to hurt my wife. Life is hard. It is very hard and that was tough, but we hold no ill will. ... We, as a group, as brothers united in unity, should be praying for that family because they grieve as well. So, let’s not lose sight of what’s important. God will work this out.”

After quoting those lines, Whitlock told listeners to ignore those claiming there are no role models in sports today.

“I love what Monty represents. ... I hope that the mainstream media picks up on his story,” he said. “Monty Williams knows a lot about faith and the power of faith. ... I think there’s a lot to be learned, there’s a lot to be mined from the mind of Monty Williams.”

But part of his message to players, Williams told The Undefeated website in 2018, is that he doesn’t have all the answers.

“There’s a lot of times within the faith, as a Christian, that most people think we walk around like we have it together, and I just got to be straight with you,” Williams said. “I need the Lord because I don’t have it together. I am broken. I am flawed. ...

“Whether it’s winning or losing or getting a contract or not getting signed by a team and all the in-between, my faith allows me to hopefully have something to hold onto that’s much bigger than sports.”

Terry Mattingly leads GetReligion.org and lives in Oak Ridge, Tennessee. He is a senior fellow at the Overby Center at the University of Mississippi.

CHIME

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hour. It also rang out at Commencement, weddings, memorial services and special gatherings such as Homecoming and Alumni Days. It was silenced in 2019 when the Administration Building closed.

In the early 1920s, alumni and friends raised \$8,700 to purchase the original Chime, created by the McShane Bell Foundry of Baltimore, Md. On Aug. 11, 1922, men in white shirts and straw hats pushed the bells into place so that they could hoist the bells up to the tower using ropes and pulleys.

Verdin is scheduled to remove the 10 bronze bells – which range in weight from 550 to 2,650 pounds – from the Administration Building tower Aug. 9-11 and then restore them. Current plans call for the new tower to be installed next spring or summer, Harmon said.

She said the central location will make the Chime a visual centerpiece of the North Manchester campus, allow for optimal acoustics and make the structure easily accessible for maintenance.

No longer will Manchester’s Chime players – mostly students – traipse up staircases in the dead of winter to push hand levers in a drafty room directly

below the massive bells. The new setup will feature an electronic keyboard that will be played inside nearby Winger Hall.

The new Chime tower is likely to inspire some new Manchester traditions, Harmon said.

“The Manchester Chime is steeped in treasured history,” she said. “The sound is like comfort food for alumni, playing in their memories for years after they graduate. The new Chime tower promises to have a similar impact on future generations of Manchester students.”

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Obituaries

Bradly W. Schmidt

June 20, 1964 – July 9, 2021

Bradly W. Schmidt, 57, of Wabash, previously of Huntington and Logansport, passed away on Friday, July 9, 2021, at his residence. Brad was born on June 20, 1964, in Gary, Indiana, to the late Enno F. and Janet R. (Craig) Schmidt.

Brad is survived by son, Brandon Schmidt; daughter, Kristian Schmidt; grandchildren, Kamryn Hud-

dleston and Jaelyn Hud-

dleston and sister, Becky Bolinger.

Per Brad's wishes, there will be no public services.

McDonald Funeral Homes, 231 Falls Avenue, Wabash, Indiana 46992 have been trusted with Bradly Schmidt's arrangements.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.mcdonaldfunerals.com

James Rodney Callison

James Rodney Callison, 57, Wabash, Indiana passed away July 10, 2021 at his residence. The memory of James Rodney Callison will be forever remembered by his wife McKenzie Callison, Wabash; two children, Noah and Ella Callison; three brothers, David (Kendra) Callison, Silver Lake, Indiana, William "Bill" McCleary, Warsaw, Indiana,

Marlin McCleary, Columbia City, Indiana; three sisters, Kitty (Doug) Meyer, Newton, Iowa, Igna (Dave) Blough, Fort Wayne, Indiana, and Nady (Tim) Thompson, Rolla, Missouri. No services will be held at this time.

The family of James Callison has entrusted McKee Mortuary with care and final arrangements.

Lillie Jackson

Funeral services for Lillie Jackson was held 2 pm, Friday, July 16, 2021, at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Ser-

vice, Wabash. Burial will be in Oaklawn Cemetery, North Manchester. Visitation 1-2 pm Friday, at the funeral home.

BLOOD

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COVID-19 pandemic who present with more advanced disease progression, "therefore requiring increased blood transfusions."

Holliday said an atypically high number of overdoses and resulting transplants have also been causing strain.

Holliday said in comparison to 2019, the Red Cross has seen red cell demand from trauma centers climb by 10 percent in 2021 – more than five times the growth of other facilities that provide transfusions.

Over the last three months, the Red Cross has distributed about 75,000 blood products more than expected to meet these needs, significantly decreasing the national blood supply.

On Friday, Boulrisse said there were still some openings left for Wednesday's event, which may be made by visiting rcblood.org/2RNTIOf or www.redcross.org.

"Online pre-registration will help shorten the in-person process when donating," said Boulrisse.

Holliday said to thank donors who help refuel the blood and platelet supply this month, all who come to give in July will receive a \$10 Amazon gift card via email and will also receive automatic entry for a chance to win gas for a year, at a \$5,000 value. Also, all those who come to donate in July will be automatically entered for a chance to win a trip for four to Cedar Point or Knott's Berry Farm.

"Donors who give now will help stock the shelves for the rest of the summer season," said Holliday.

Holliday said the Red Cross has updated its pandemic safety protocols in alignment with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA).

"Fully vaccinated individuals, including staff and donors, no longer need to wear masks or socially distance. Unvaccinated individuals continue to be required to wear masks and socially distance. Donors are asked to schedule an appointment before arriving at the drive," said Holliday. "In most cases, those who have received a COVID-19 vaccine can donate. However, knowing the name of the manufacturer of the vaccine they received is important in determining donation eligibility."

Holliday said to donate blood, individuals need to bring a blood donor card or driver's license or two other forms of identification that are required at check-in. Individuals who are 17 years of age in most states, or 16 with parental consent where allowed by state law, weigh at least 110 pounds and are in generally good health may be eligible to donate blood.

High school students and other donors 18 years of age and younger also must meet certain height and weight requirements.

Holliday said donors may also save up to 15 minutes at the blood drive by completing a RapidPass. With RapidPass, donors complete the pre-donation reading and health history questionnaire online, on the day of donation, from a mobile device or computer. To complete a RapidPass, follow the instructions at RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass or use the Red Cross Blood Donor App.

Holliday said the Red Cross is also screening all blood, platelet and plasma donations from self-identified African American donors for the sickle cell trait.

"This additional screening will provide Black donors with an additional health insight and help the Red Cross identify compatible blood types more quickly to help patients with sickle cell disease. Blood transfusion is an essential treatment for those with sickle cell disease, and blood donations from individuals of the same race, ethnicity and blood type have a unique ability to help patients fighting sickle cell disease," said Holliday. "Donors can expect to receive sickle cell trait screening results, if applicable, within one to two weeks.

Holliday said these results would be available through the Red Cross Blood Donor App and the online donor portal at RedCrossBlood.org.

In addition to Wednesday's event, the following Wabash County donation opportunities have been scheduled:

■ Noon to 6 p.m. Tuesday, July 20 at First United Methodist Church, 110 N. Cass St.

■ Noon to 6 p.m. Thursday, July 22 at the Manchester Church of the Brethren, 1306 Beckley St., North Manchester.

■ 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 7 at the Manchester Church of the Brethren, 1306 Beckley St., North Manchester.

■ 3 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 10 at North Manchester United Methodist Church, 306 E. 2nd St., North Manchester.

■ 2 to 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 11 at Urbana Yoke Parish Community Center, 16 E. Half St., Urbana.

■ 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 14 at Brandt's Harley Davidson, 1400 Cass St.

If you are interested in other ways to get involved with the YPWC blood drive, email yp@growwabashcounty.com.

To schedule an appointment to give blood or platelets use the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit RedCrossBlood.org, call 800-RED CROSS (800-733-2767) or enable the Blood Donor Skill on any Alexa Echo device.

For more information, visit rcblood.org/fuel or rcblood.org/CedarFair.

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COVID

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increase in cases.

During a televised press conference Friday, July 9, state health commissioner Dr. Kristina Box said the state's positivity rate was at a low of 2.1 percent in late June and had at that time crept back up to 3.2 percent. As of Friday, July 16 that statewide figure was at 4.5 percent.

Box said that while new COVID-19 deaths were at their lowest levels since early in the pandemic, there was also a rise in hospitalizations.

"Unfortunately we do expect to continue to see outbreaks, especially in areas with low vaccination rates," said Box.

State chief medical officer Dr. Lindsay Weaver said that they continued to see gaps in vaccine uptake both by age and by geography.

"Less than half of Hoosiers

ages 40 to 49 have been vaccinated and the percentages drop off significantly in younger age groups," said Weaver. "This is concerning."

On Friday, July 16, the ISDH announced that 561 additional Hoosiers have been diagnosed with COVID-19 through testing at state and private laboratories. That brings to 760,103 the number of Indiana residents now known to have had the novel coronavirus following corrections to the previous day's dashboard.

To date, 13,514 Hoosiers are confirmed to have died from COVID-19, an increase of one from the previous day. Another 426 probable deaths have been reported to date based on clinical diagnoses in patients for whom no positive test is on record.

A total of 3,628,580 unique individuals have been tested in Indiana, up from 3,623,059 on Wednesday. A total of 11,022,858 tests, including

repeat tests for unique individuals, have been reported to the state Department of Health since Feb. 26, 2020.

To find testing sites around the state, visit www.coronavirus.in.gov and click on the COVID-19 testing information link.

Hoosiers age 12 and older can receive a COVID-19 vaccine; individuals younger than age 18 are eligible for the Pfizer vaccine only. To find a vaccination clinic near you, visit <https://ourshot.in.gov> or call 211 if you do not have access to a computer or require assistance. Appointments are preferred, but walk-ins are accepted at most sites.

Mobile vaccination clinics are planned from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday at the Kosciusko County Fair, 1400 E. Smith St., Warsaw; from 4 to 9 p.m. Saturday at the Franklin County 4-H Fair, 7178 Blue Creek Road, Brookville; from 3 to 9:30 p.m. Saturday

at the Gibson County Fair, 709 N. Embree St., Princeton; noon to 10 p.m. at the Tipton County Fair, 1200 S. Main St., Cicero Room, Tipton; from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday and noon to 6 p.m. Sunday at the Indiana Black & Minority Health Fair at the Indiana Convention Center, 100 S. Capitol Ave., Indianapolis.

Patients with an appointment at a state-hosted public vaccination site can get a free UBER or Lyft ride. Call 2-1-1 or 866-211-9966 to receive a voucher to cover the cost of an Uber ride to and from your vaccination appointments. IU Health offers free Lyft rides to any vaccine site in the state. Call 888-IUHEALTH (888-484-3258) and choose option 9 if you need transportation to your vaccine appointment.

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BRIGADE

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brought the all-time Bucket Brigade total for the local chapter to \$39,974.73.

"It was the most money we've raised in that event since 2006 when we raised \$2,162.61," said Seaman.

Seaman said local businesses which will allow them to participate at their storefronts include:

■ 7 to 10 a.m. at Modoc's Market, 205 S. Miami St.

■ 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. at The Fried Egg, 1319 N. Cass St.

■ 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Walmart of Wabash, 1601 N. Cass St.

■ 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Wa-

bash Hardware & Rental, 1351 N. Cass St.

■ 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Bechtol Grocery, 120 Hale Drive.

"Wabash Kiwanis is knocking on the door for the \$40,000th dollar raised for Riley Hospital for Children," said Wabash Kiwanis Board president and Bucket Brigade chairperson Mike Keaffaber. "This is one of the most fun things that we get to do in a Kiwanis capacity. Our members who volunteer for this always love speaking with locals who have had a niece, son, grandchild or whoever who's benefited from Riley Hospital. We especially love it when parents hand their children some spare change or a dollar bill and have the

youngsters themselves put the money in our Brigade buckets."

Seaman said for more than 100 years, there has been a "deep relationship between the Kiwanis Indiana District and Riley Children's Hospital, dating back to before the hospital's doors were even open to Hoosier children."

Seaman said the state district has pledged to raise \$1 million to support Riley's neurodevelopmental and behaviors centers initiative, which focuses on providing local community-based screening, diagnosing and treatment for young children with autism and related disorders.

Seaman said the communi-

ty should "support this vital asset to the youth of Indiana."

"While out shopping this upcoming weekend, (we hope) locals will plan to visit (these) locations and bring change with them so that they donate to this worthy cause," said Seaman.

Seaman said for those who can't make it to the fundraiser, but still want to support the cause, they may send a check to the Wabash Kiwanis Club at P.O. Box 699, Wabash, IN 46992, with "Bucket Brigade" listed in the memo line.

For more information, email eseaman@honeywellfoundation.org.

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Xhori, Caroline Klempere Green, Jennifer Smith and Elizabeth Mendoza will perform live at 7 p.m. Thursday, July 22 at the Honeywell House, 720 N. Wabash St. For more information, visit HoneywellArts.org/honeywell-house or call 260-563-1102.

Wabash Art Guild presents a watercolor workshop

The pre-registration deadline for Terry Armstrong's watercolor workshop is Friday, July 23. The event will be held on Thursday, Aug. 12 at the Wabash Christian Church, 110 W. Hill St., at the corner of Hill and Miami streets. Participants should use the rear alley entrance. Set-up starts at 8:30 a.m. and the class will begin at 9 a.m. There will be a break to eat. The workshop will then continue and will continue until about 3:30 p.m. For more information, visit www.terryarmstrong.net or call 260-563-7690.

Christmas in July planned at Salamonie Lake

The public and campers are invited to join us for an assortment of activities at Salamonie Lake's Christmas in July from 8:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Saturday, July 24 at 9214 W. Lost Bridge West, Andrews. Awards will be announced at 9:30 a.m. Sunday, July 25 at the Interpretive Shelter. Campsite reservations may be made by visiting camp.IN.gov or calling 866-622-6746. Property entrance fees apply of \$7 per in-state vehicle and \$9 per out-of-state vehicle. State Park annual entrance passes are available for purchase at the property gate.

Somerset Lions Club plans a euchre event

Somerset Lions Club has planned a euchre event for Saturday, July 24 at the Somerset Community Building, 21 W. Old Slocum Trail, Somerset. The entry fee will be \$10. Registration will be from noon to 12:45 p.m. Play begins at 1 p.m. Cash prizes will be awarded for most loners, highest score and second-highest score. There will also be cash prizes for 50-50 drawings, with two drawings for the en-

try fee. Food including soft drinks, hot dogs, cookies and chips will be available for a donation. Proceeds will promote Somerset Lions projects.

Salamonie Lake workdays continue throughout summer

Salamonie Lake's Upper Wabash Interpretive Services, 3691 New Holland Road, Andrews, will host volunteer workdays at 9 a.m. Monday, July 26; 9 a.m. Monday, Aug. 16; and 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 25. For more information, visit 260-468-2127.

'Let's Chat: Habitat' set for July 28 at Mississinewa Lake

Join the Upper Wabash Invasives Network (UWIN) and the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) who are co-hosting a workshop on portions of habitats at Mississinewa Lake from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 28. Mississinewa Lake is located at 4673 S. 625 East, Peru, but that will not be the first meeting location. The first meeting location will be provided at registration. Advance registration is required by calling 260-468-2127 or emailing ownatdnr@dnr.in.gov. For more information, visit dnr.IN.gov.

Second Harvest to hold tailgate food distributions

Second Harvest Food Bank of East Central Indiana has planned tailgate food distributions for 11 a.m. Wednesdays, July 28 and Aug. 25 at Bachelor Creek Church of Christ, 2147 Indiana 15; and noon Wednesday, Aug. 11 at the Manchester Church of the Brethren, 1306 Beckley St., North Manchester. For more information, visit www.curehunger.org/campaign/hunger-action-month/c299182 or <https://www.givepulse.com/group/203410>.

MSD Summer Food Program to provide free breakfasts, lunches

The MSD Summer Food Program will provide weekly meals free of charge for children ages 1 through 18 throughout the MSD area. Throughout the summer, families may pick up five day's worth of breakfasts and

lunches for each child in their household that meets the age criteria from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Wednesdays through July 28 at Northfield High School, 154 W. 200 North, and Southwood High School on the east side of the building, 564 Indiana 124.

Summer at the Wabash County Museum continues

For preschool families with children ages 0 to 5, "Bear Den Days" will be held from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., and 1:30 to 3 p.m. every Wednesday at 36 E. Market St. Registration is recommended due to limited capacity. Admission will be free to those who register in advance. Registration is available at www.wabashmuseum.org/events. Through Friday, July 30, the Wabash County Museum will offer the "Museum Explorers" opportunity for young people who have just completed kindergarten through sixth grades. For more information, visit www.wabashmuseum.org.

Mrs. Honeywell to be commemorated at Annual Birthday Tea

The public is invited to commemorate Mrs. Honeywell's birthday with a low tea luncheon at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, July 29 at the Honeywell House, 720 N. Wabash St. The cost of the luncheon is \$25 per person and reservations are required. For more information, visit HoneywellArts.org/honeywell-house or call 260-563-1102.

Wabash County Festivals Pageant set for July 30

The 31st annual Wabash County Festivals Pageant will be held at 7 p.m. Friday, July 30 in the Ford Theater at the Honeywell Center. Admission to the pageant is \$5 for persons 6 and older. Children under 6 are free. The pageant will award approximately \$3,500 to the winners. If you would like the Queen and Court to appear at an event, contact one of the directors for the pageant including Kara Fulmer, Patty Meagher, Makayla Ridgeway, Teresa Ridgeway and Bev Vanderpool.

Local Beehive Trolley No. 85 Tour on sale

Visit Wabash County has announced that tickets are now on sale for the Local

Beehive Trolley No. 85 Tour, which will take place from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, July 31 and will begin at the Visit Wabash County Welcome Center in downtown Wabash. The two local beehive stops include Bizzy Beez and Wiled Miles Honey. Tickets for the Local Beehive Trolley No. 85 Tour are \$25 per person and are all-inclusive. This is a tour for those ages 10 and up and there will be average walking required with some uneven ground. To purchase tickets online, visit www.visitwabashcounty.com/trolley-tours. You may also stop in the Welcome Center at 221 S. Miami St., or call 260-563-7171. Payment is due upon registration.

Beacon Credit Union kicks off its 10th Annual Project Spotlight Voting

Beacon Credit Union's Project Spotlight voting runs through Saturday, July 31. Everyone in the community is encouraged to vote for their favorite cause either online or in their local Beacon Member Center. The project that receives the most votes, in each community, will receive \$1,000 from Beacon Credit Union. The second-place winner will receive \$500, and there will be a third place in each community randomly picked to receive \$250. Visit <https://www.beaconcu.org/project-spotlight/> for more information.

INDOT begins maintenance work on Indiana 13 bridge over Mississinewa

INDOT announced bridge maintenance work would soon begin on Indiana 13 over the Mississinewa River. Crews will be conducting the bridge-work seven miles south of Wabash between Whites Drive and Howell Road. The work is expected to last until mid-August. During construction, Indiana 13 will be reduced to one lane. Traffic should be prepared to stop and obey the temporary traffic signal. There's a width limit of 12 feet in the project zone.

Editor's note: If you have an upcoming event to submit, please send it by email to news@wabashplainedealer.com no later than five days before the event itself. Please use complete sentences, Associated Press style and Microsoft Word or PDF file formats.

Opinion

SPEAK UP

How to contact your legislators:

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To email any Indiana lawmaker, go to this website: www.in.gov/cgi-bin/legislative/contact/contact.pl

LETTERS GUIDELINES

The Wabash Plain Dealer encourages your letters to the editor forum, which is designed to be a forum for exchange of ideas between readers about issues of community importance.

Please sign your letter. Your name will be used with the letter that is published in the Plain Dealer. Your letter will be returned if it is your desire to remain anonymous.

Since we may want to write or call you to verify the letter, we ask that you include your address and telephone number. All our letters to the editor are published in the interest of fair play, so we trust our letter writers will refrain from personal attacks on other persons or groups.

A letter should be less than two pages long, preferably of double-spaced typing.

In order to give everyone an opportunity to participate in this exchange of ideas, please try to limit your letters to one per month per household.

To submit a letter, please write the Wabash Plain Dealer at 99 W. Canal St., Wabash, IN 46992.

Letters also may be hand-delivered to the newspaper office, 99 W. Canal St. The office is open 9-11:30 a.m. and 1-4 p.m. Monday through Friday. If you should deliver a letter during non-business hours, a drop slot is located to the left of the front door. Letters may be faxed to 260-563-0816, or email them to news@wabashplainedealer.com with "Letters to the Editor" in the subject line.



DAILY SCRIPTURE

Do not say, "I will repay evil"; wait for the LORD, and he will deliver you.

Proverbs 20:22

OUR TAKE

Fight for democracy

The Indiana Supreme Court is helping launch a full fledged assault on government transparency, and we need to push back and speak up in order to keep our democracy from falling into darkness.

It has never been more critical for our readers, neighbors and friends to submit public comments by Aug. 10 opposing the proposed amendment to Trial Rule 4.13, which would allow the government to control and display public notices on its website regarding court summons, notices of lawsuits, estate administration and sheriff's sales.

These notices have traditionally been published through a third party, which ensures the process of informing the public of critically important matters isn't corrupted. Daily newspapers across our state are readily available to all citizens at the library and in waiting rooms, displaying this vital information in a prominent and reliable space.

When was the last time you visited the Indiana Supreme Court website? This trial rule change will undoubtedly reduce the ability and opportunity for Hoosiers to see these notices, effectively making the judicial process less transparent and the right for citizens' due process unduly harmed.

Many of our readers rely on our newspaper for these notices and for their news since

access to reliable internet services remains dismal in our communities. When these notices are published in the newspaper covering the area in which the legal actions are taking place, the news spreads across the county to alert people of changes or legal actions that would affect them.

As the Hoosier State Press Association argues, it is illogical to expect citizens who have no idea a legal action may have been filed that would impact them to routinely log onto the court's website in the off chance that they stumble upon a notice concerning them. People read our newspaper every day. Meanwhile, not many people sift through hundreds of legal notices on a government-sponsored website daily.

In the spirit of transparency, it is important to note that newspapers benefit financially through the publication of legal notices as does any business that serves government clients. The amount paid to newspapers is currently being negotiated to a lower price, which covers newspaper's printing operations and loss of valuable space in order to disseminate this often life-altering information.

The courts are supposed to champion our constitutional rights, including due process and freedom of the press, yet this move would reduce transparency and access to

vital information.

The four essential elements to effective public notice include the accessibility of notice to the public, verification that notices were properly published or posted, archiving of the notices for legal and historical purposes and independent distribution to protect against corruption, according to the Hoosier State Press Association. Newspapers satisfy these elements, full stop.

There is great importance of having a robust and healthy local newspaper in every community across our state.

Newspapers act as the lifeblood of a community. We act as the voice of the people, criticize the government, fight for government transparency and accountability. The government's current proposal would hinder our ability to do our jobs.

It is critical that we stand up against the amendments to Trial Rule 4.13. Your local paper depends on it.

Public comments must be submitted by Aug. 10, 2021. Comments should be mailed to Jennifer Bauer, Indiana Office of Court Services, 251 N. Illinois St., Suite 800 Indianapolis, IN 46204. Online comments may be submitted at www.in.gov/courts/publications/proposed-rules/july-2021/ by scrolling to the bottom of the page and clicking the button titled "Submit feedback online."

Indiana provides big boost for law enforcement

The vast majority of us don't worry whether we'll make it home for dinner let alone whether we'll make it home at all. That's not the case for thousands of Indiana law enforcement officers who work hard to protect all Hoosiers. This year, legislators stepped up in a big way to recognize the sacrifices of the men and women in uniform by making strong investments in law enforcement training programs and facilities and providing better hiring and crime-fighting tools.

Todd Huston



In this session, Republican efforts resulted in \$70 million being directed to modernize law enforcement training facilities and programs. The Indiana Law Enforcement Academy in Plainfield is an expansive campus preparing law enforcement professionals for service through rigorous training. While ILEA offers many state-of-the-art training programs, some areas have not been updated since the 1970s. Our investment will help ILEA make much-needed improvements and enhance its top-notch training programs. We're also providing salary increases for state police, conservation and excise officers, and funding to construct a new Indiana State Police post and laboratory.

Thanks to the next two-year state budget, local departments can now apply for one-time grants to purchase body-worn cameras. While many departments are already using this technology to increase transparency and accountability, the state is offering matching grants to help departments that may not have the resources to equip all of their officers.

House Enrolled Act 1006, authored by State Rep. Greg Steuerwald, is one of the greatest achievements of the legislative session. Referred to by many as "historic" and a "national model," this robust legislation gives police more tools to vet candidates and hire the best officers. The law requires full employment record sharing between police departments so they can identify bad actors. I strongly believe that we honor the best by getting rid of the worst. This legislation received bipartisan support, total backing from law enforcement, and support from the Indiana Black Legislative Caucus.

House Enrolled Act 1558 targets crime in Central Indiana by pulling together local resources. Counties will team up to get criminals off the streets with the creation of the Central Indiana Crime Guns Task Force. With the help of a \$10 million investment over the next two years, the group will share information, use data-driven methods to link crime guns to unsolved cases and apprehend suspects across county lines.

To help solve more crimes across the state, Indiana will expand the use of High Tech Crimes Units so prosecutors and law enforcement can work with Indiana's colleges to gather and process digital evidence in a variety of cases. Through the passage of the House Enrolled Act 1082, university students could help find additional evidence or exonerate a person of interest.

Overall, Republicans delivered big wins this session for our hardworking law enforcement officers and the communities they protect. Whether investing in training programs and facilities or providing enhanced hiring and crime-fighting tools, these efforts serve all Hoosiers. We recognize the tremendous efforts of those who wear the badge, and Indiana's Republican lawmakers stepped up to help provide them the resources they need to do their jobs and come home safe.

House Speaker Todd Huston, R-Fishers, represents House District 37, which includes portions of Hamilton County and Fishers.

HISTORY

Today is Saturday, July 17, the 198th day of 2021. There are 167 days left in the year.

Highlight in history:

On July 17, 1975, an Apollo spaceship docked with a Soyuz spacecraft in orbit in the first superpower link-up of its kind.

On this date:

In 1821, Spain ceded Florida to the United States.

In 1862, during the Civil War, Congress approved the Second Confiscation Act, which declared that all slaves taking refuge behind Union lines were to be set free.

In 1918, Russia's Czar Nicholas II and his family were executed by the Bolsheviks.

In 1936, the Spanish Civil War began as right-wing army generals launched a coup attempt against the Second Spanish Republic.

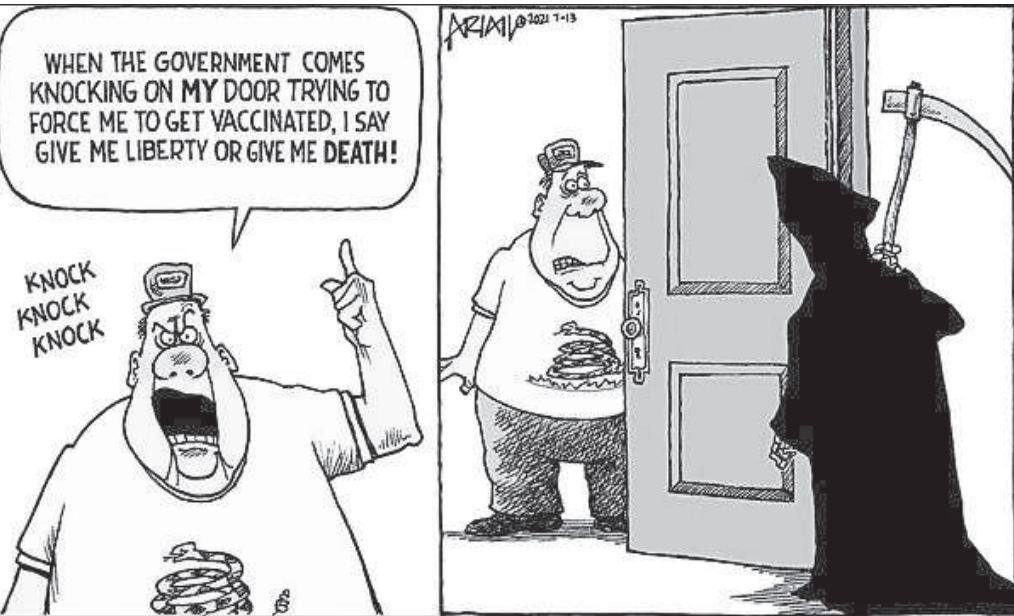
In 1944, during World War II, 320 men, two-thirds of them African-Americans, were killed when a pair of ammunition ships exploded at the Port Chicago Naval Magazine in California.

In 1945, following Nazi Germany's surrender, President Harry S. Truman, Soviet leader Josef Stalin and British Prime Minister Winston S. Churchill began meeting at Potsdam in the final Allied summit of World War II.

In 1962, the United States conducted its last atmospheric nuclear test to date, detonating a 20-kiloton device, codenamed Little Feller I, at the Nevada Test Site.

In 1967, after seven dates, Jimi Hendrix quit as the opening act for the Monkees following a concert at Forest Hills Stadium in New York. (Although greatly admired by the Monkees, Hendrix had received a less than enthusiastic reception from their fans.)

Today's Birthdays: Actor Donald Sutherland is 86. Sportscaster Verne Lundquist is 81. Camilla, Duchess of Cornwall, is 74. Rock musician Terry "Geezer" Butler is 72. Actor Lucie Arnaz is 70. Actor David Hasselhoff is 69. Rock musician Fran Smith Jr. (The Hooters) is 69. German Chancellor Angela Merkel is 67. Television producer Mark Burnett is 61. Actor Nancy Giles is 61. Singer Regina Belle is 58. Country singer Craig Morgan is 57. Rock musician Lou Barlow is 55. Contemporary Christian singer Susan Ashton is 54.



Toward a slaughter-free America

By JON HOCHSCHARTNER

I remember my first chicken harvest, as it was euphemistically called. It was 1999 and I was 12. In a video of the event, you can see me in my denim work jacket, gripping my neck in vicarious horror. There was a performative aspect to my reaction. But despite this, the slaughter was the first real instance of violence I had ever seen, so far as I can remember.

And it was horrifying. Undoubtedly I had witnessed schoolyard scuffles, but nothing like this. Nothing that resulted in a bucketful of the lopped-off heads of living individuals, blinking in their apparent last moments of consciousness. When it was over, I remember lying in the grass with my friends, publicly vowing to become vegetarian. This oath, of course, lasted a few days tops.

I think many people recognize there is something wrong with our treatment of animals. What they might not be aware of is an emerging technology that will make aligning our values and actions easier. I'm talking about cultured meat, which is grown from cells, without slaughter. It's better for the environment, public health, and, of course, animal welfare.

This may sound like science fiction, but it's not. Cultured meat has already been granted regulatory approval in Singapore, and is even available for home delivery. Meanwhile, an Israeli company has reduced production costs for a quarter pound of cultivated chicken to less than \$4.

The environmental benefits of this new protein are manifold. The land, freshwater and greenhouse gas emissions required to produce it are a tiny fraction of those necessary to raise animals. Meanwhile, there is no runoff of agricultural waste into rivers and oceans, since cultured meat is produced in a closed system.

The public-health benefits of cultured meat are very important. It doesn't require artificial growth hormones and unnecessary antibiotics. Since animals are removed from the process, the danger of zoonotic viruses making the jump to humans is eliminated.

The animal welfare benefits offered by cultured meat should be apparent. We kill over a trillion aquatic and land animals every year for food. The amount of suffering this represents is impossible to comprehend. To put it in perspective, only about 107 billion humans have ever lived, according to the Population Reference Bureau.

By my third harvest, in 2001, I was thoroughly desensitized to the violence. Together with a girl I briefly dated, I wrestled a turkey into a large bucket with a small slit, just big enough for its neck to stick out from. I pinned the animals' writhing body to the ground after its head was cut off with an ax, until the poor creature bled out.

From there, we brought the carcass through the methodical process of boiling, plucking, gutting and cleaning. Somewhere, there's a photo of me smiling,

holding the corpse upside down, waving to the camera with a glove-covered hand smeared with blood. While most people don't participate in the slaughter, I think many undergo similar desensitization to animal suffering.

I think we learn the rationales for non-human exploitation in fits and starts. This education – or more accurately, miseducation – probably takes place throughout our lifespan, with different answers formulated to meet our ideological needs at different times and places. There's nothing particularly nefarious in the process. Human violence against animals is just the way it's always been.

I want to live in a world where this self-deception doesn't feel necessary. I don't think our food system needs to accelerate global warming, heighten our pandemic risk, or be so cruel. Cultured meat can help address all these problems without noticeable dietary change.

That's why I want the federal government to fund open-access research into cellular agriculture. Despite great progress in the private sector, there's so much more work to be done to reach price parity with slaughtered meat and develop whole-cut products, like steaks and filets. I hope legislators will support this effort.

Jon Hochschartner is the author of several books, including "The Animals' Freedom Fighter: A Biography of Ronnie Lee, Founder of the Animal Liberation Front." He lives in Connecticut with his family, where he enjoys watching the Knicks and "Ocarina of Time" speed runs.

LIFESTYLES

Spotlight on harissa

If you're looking for a condiment that multitasks and tastes stand-alone delicious, then look no further than harissa. Harissa is a smoky red pepper sauce traditionally used in North African cuisine. You may know it as a fiery one-note paste sold in a tube or as a jarred red sauce with a salsa consistency.



Lynda Balslev

Essentially, harissa is a paste or puree of red peppers and chiles combined with other ingredients, such as garlic, citrus and spices. Its nuances, heat and flavor will vary from cook to cook, influenced by the choice of peppers and aromatics.

This recipe is the harissa sauce I have been making for years, and it's positively addicting. It's an extremely versatile condiment; I use it on just about everything. I combine roasted sweet bell peppers with fiery chiles for a balance of smoke, sweetness and heat. The heat is intentionally kept at a moderate level to prevent the sauce from overpowering everything it touches. I add a dollop of tomato paste, which lends a hint of fruity acidity while helping to thicken the sauce and round out the flavors.

How to use harissa

1. Marinate skirt or flank steak or chicken thighs in the sauce, then grill over indirect heat.

2. Drizzle harissa over roasted vegetables, eggs, grilled meats and fish steaks, such as swordfish or halibut.

3. Use it as a dip for pita chips, veggies or meatballs. Or mix a spoonful into other dips such as tzatziki and hummus for a punch of flavor.

4. Add a dollop or two to soups, ragouts and stews as a secret flavor-boosting ingredient.

5. Elevate your prepared rice or couscous to the next level with a swipe of harissa and a shower of chopped herbs and lemon zest.

As you can see, this sauce is indeed versatile, a welcome addition to the summer picnic table. When making the sauce, be sure to toast and grind the whole seeds. This extra step imparts a fantastic flavor to the harissa, which is deeper than if you use pre-ground spices. For best flavor and consistency, roast fresh peppers. If using jarred roasted peppers, be sure to drain them well.

Note that the finished sauce will be soupier and sweeter with jarred peppers than if you roast your own peppers. If you prefer more heat, you can choose not to seed the chile peppers – it's up to you!

The harissa sauce will keep in the refrigerator for up to one week. The flavors will develop once they've had a few hours or a day to meld. And while you're at it, you might want to make a double batch. Chances are that it will be gobbled up.

Harissa

Active time: 20 minutes

Total time: 30 minutes

Yield: Makes about

1 1/2 cups

2 large red bell peppers

1 teaspoon cumin seeds

1 teaspoon coriander seeds

1 teaspoon caraway seeds

2 red jalapeno chiles, seeded, coarsely chopped

2 garlic cloves
1 tablespoon tomato paste
1 tablespoon olive oil
1/2 teaspoon kosher salt, or more to taste
1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper

Grill the whole peppers over high heat until evenly charred, turning as needed.

If using an oven, halve the peppers. Place skin-side up on a baking tray and broil until the skin is charred. Transfer the peppers to a bowl and cover. Let steam for 10 minutes, then peel away the skin, remove any ribs and seeds, and coarsely chop.

Toast the cumin, coriander and caraway seeds in a dry skillet over medium heat until aromatic and beginning to pop, 1 to 2 minutes. Transfer to a mortar with pestle or a spice grinder and grind the seeds to a fine powder. Combine the peppers,

seeds, chiles, garlic, tomato paste, oil, salt and black pepper in the bowl of a food processor. Process to blend. Taste for seasoning.

Transfer to a jar and refrigerate until use. The flavors will develop with time. Store for up to one week.



Photo by Lynda Balslev for TasteFood

The child tax credit is confusing for divorced, single, and non-traditional parents – here's who gets to keep the money

Over the next six months, the IRS will be sending billions of dollars to families with children ages 17 and younger. But the distribution is already causing anxiety.

The IRS and Treasury said the tax service deposited roughly \$15 billion in bank accounts this week for the nearly 60 million children eligible for the monthly expanded child tax credit.

Michelle Singletary



Eligible families receive an advance payment of up to \$300 per month for each child age 5 and under and up to \$250 for each child ages 6 through 17.

But many families are unsure whether their child qualifies for the credit, particularly those with new-borns or custody issues, judging from questions posed during an online discussion ahead of the first distribution on July 15.

Ken Corbin, the IRS's wage and investment commissioner and its chief taxpayer experience officer, joined me on the chat to take reader questions. And there were hundreds of people seeking clarification of eligibility.

Here's a recap of the most frequently asked questions and responses to queries we weren't able to get to during the discussion, edited for length and clarity. A few questions were also answered by IRS spokesman Eric Smith.

■ I have a child born in June, does she qualify to receive the advance child tax credit?

Corbin: For the tax year

2021, a qualifying child is an individual who does not turn 18 before Jan. 1, 2022, and who satisfies the following conditions:

■ The individual is the taxpayer's son, daughter, stepchild, eligible foster child, brother, sister, stepbrother, stepsister, half brother, half sister or a descendant of any of them (for example, a grandchild, niece or nephew).

■ The individual does not provide more than one-half of his or her own support during 2021.

■ The individual lives with the taxpayer for more than one-half of the tax year 2021. The individual is properly claimed as the taxpayer's dependent.

■ The individual is a U.S. citizen, U.S. national, or U.S. resident alien.

■ If the parents of minor children are separated, but not divorced, and filed joint returns in 2019 and 2020, do they equally divide the child tax credit?

Corbin: If the child tax credit was claimed by both parents, the advance payment will go to the bank account (usually a joint account) on the tax year 2020 return, or a check will be mailed to the address of record on the tax return. Advance Child Tax Credit payments are based on the children claimed on the taxpayer's 2020 tax return (or 2019 if 2020 hasn't been filed yet).

Later this year, the Child Tax Credit Update Portal (CTC UP) at irs.gov will be updated to allow taxpayers to inform us about the qualifying children they will claim on their 2021 tax return so that we can adjust the estimated child tax credit.

■ If my wife is due in

August, will we still qualify for the program?

Singletary: The IRS says children born this year are eligible for the advance payments. Once the child receives a Social Security number, you can give that information to the IRS. But you'll have to wait until the portal feature for such updates is active.

If the child is eligible, the IRS will go back and recalculate what you are due and spread the funds over the remaining months for the advance payments.

If, for whatever reason, the payments don't start before the end of the year, you will have to claim the expanded child tax credit payments when you file your 2021 return next year.

■ What if I claimed my child for 2020 because she was living with me but went to live with my ex this year?

Corbin: They should take one of the following actions:

■ Agree to allow the other parent to claim that child for the child tax credit for 2021. They must receive from the child's other parent a signed IRS Form 8332, Release/Revocation of Release of Claim to Exemption for Child by Custodial Parent, and attach it to their 2021 tax return, on which they claim the Child Tax Credit.

■ Consider using the update portal to unenroll from receiving advance child tax credit payments or to remove that child's information that was provided to the IRS.

As a result, their future advance Child Tax Credit payment amounts will be reduced to take into account the removal of that child.

If they take neither action, they may need to repay the IRS the amount of advance child tax credit payments received for that child when they file their 2021 tax return next year.

■ My son turns 18 in December. Will I get child credit for the months he is 17?

Corbin: For the tax year 2021, a qualifying child is an individual who does not turn 18 before Jan. 1, 2022.

■ One of the conditions of the credit is that the child must live with the taxpayer for half of the tax year. What about a child born late in the year? Does he qualify?

Smith: A child born anytime during the year counts, even on the last day.

■ I am divorced and share custody of my daughter with my ex. We alternate claiming our child, and I claimed her in 2020. Should I opt out of the monthly tax credit?

Singletary: If you will not be claiming the child for 2021, you should unenroll from receiving the monthly payments. Otherwise, you may have to pay that money back next year. You have until Aug. 2 to stop the payments. The next unenroll deadline is Aug. 2.

■ I am not a U.S. citizen, but my three children are. I am a legal resident of the U.S. and pay taxes. Am I eligible for the tax credit?

Smith: Generally, yes. As a legal resident, you typically have a Social Security number. Resident aliens for tax purposes are the same as citizens.

■ My sister and her kids live in Canada but are U.S. citizens. Do they qualify

for the advance payments?

Corbin: No, you must have your main home in one of the 50 states or the District of Columbia for more than half the year.

Singletary: Your sister may still be able to claim the credit on her 2021 return, however. By the way, residents of Puerto Rico will not receive the advance payments being distributed from July to December, but they may be eligible for the temporary increase in the credit, which for 2021 is \$3,000 for children 6 through 17 and \$3,600 for children ages 5 and under.

The IRS also says residents of American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Guam or the U.S. Virgin Islands may be eligible for advance child tax credit payments but have to check with their local territory tax agency.

■ Can a grandmother who is head of household supporting a grandchild claim the credit?

Singletary: If the grandmother can claim the children, she is entitled to the credit, assuming she qualifies based on income.

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Little Caesars debuts newest pizza with plant-based pepperoni

By SUE SELASKY

Detroit Free Press (TNS)

Little Caesars, the Detroit-based national pizza chain, has just introduced a vegetarian-friendly pizza topped with plant-based pepperoni slices.

Little Caesars partnered with Greenleaf Foods Field Roast brand, maker of plant-based meat and cheese products, to launch its Planteroni pizza in five U.S. markets, including Detroit. The plant-based pepperoni will also be a topping option for custom pizzas via the chain's app or website.

At first glance, it looks like a regular pizza. But upon closer inspection, the plant-based pepperoni slices look bigger than regular pepperoni and it appears that there are more of them.

Little Caesars Planteroni is offered in Slices-N-Sticks.

The texture was a little too soft, tasters said, and unlike regular pepperoni with its sometimes chewy texture. Tasters also missed the slightly crispy edges of pepperoni.

Though others didn't mind the texture.



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Little Caesars Planteroni Pizza taste tested by Free Press staffers.



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Eighth-grader Griffin Chambers finished in second among all middle-schoolers.



Luke Watson finished fourth out of 14.



Southwood junior Jordan Trisler showed promise throughout the day as well when competing against the crowded field.

Cubs OF Joc Pederson traded to Braves

CHICAGO (AP) — The Atlanta Braves acquired Joc Pederson in a trade with the Chicago Cubs on Thursday, bolstering their outfield after losing Ronald Acuña Jr. to a season-ending knee injury.

Atlanta sent minor league first baseman Bryce Ball to Chicago for Pederson, who is batting .230 with 11 homers and 39 RBIs in 73 games. The 29-year-old Pederson spent his first seven seasons with the Los Angeles Dodgers before signing with the Cubs in free agency in February.

The Braves are looking to return to the playoffs, but their pursuit of a fourth straight NL East title took a hit when Acuña tore the ACL in his right knee during Saturday's 5-4 victory over Miami.

Atlanta hit the All-Star break in third in the division, four games back of the first-place New York Mets.

Pederson could be in the lineup when the Braves return to the field Friday night against Tampa Bay. The lefty-batting slugger played in the postseason in each of the previous six years with Los Angeles, batting .382 with two homers in 16 games in the Dodgers' run to the World Series title in 2020.

Atlanta assumes the \$1,935,484 remaining of Pederson's \$4.5 million salary. The deal includes a \$10 million mutual option with a \$2.5 million buyout and allows Pederson to earn \$125,000 each for 500, 525, 550 and 575 plate appearances.

The Pederson deal could be the first of many for Chicago before the July 30 trade deadline. The Cubs dropped 13 of 15 before the break, moving the team into sell mode after it was once on top of the NL Central.

All-Stars Kris Bryant and closer Craig Kimbrel, along with slugging infielders Javier Báez and Anthony Rizzo, are among the top names that could be headed out of Chicago. Báez, Bryant and Rizzo are eligible for free agency after this season.

Ball, 23, was selected by Atlanta in the 24th round of the 2019 amateur draft. The 6-foot-6 Ball batted .207 with six homers and 30 RBIs in 53 games for High-A Rome this year.

Source: Love withdraws from Team USA

LAS VEGAS (AP)— Kevin Love has withdrawn from the Olympics because of a right calf injury, forcing the U.S. basketball team to replace two players on its roster.

Veteran center JaVale McGee and Spurs guard Keldon Johnson will be added to the 12-man Olympics roster, a person with knowledge of the details said Friday. The person spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity because the additions had not been announced.

It means the much of the U.S. roster will have little time together before its Olympic opener July 25 against France.

Johnson, who plays for U.S. coach Gregg Popovich in San Antonio, was a member of the select team of young players

training against the Americans. McGee, who played for the Cleveland Cavaliers and Denver Nuggets last season, has won three NBA titles but has no Olympic experience.

Love's agent, Jeff Schwartz, confirmed the Cleveland Cavalier forward's withdrawal Friday. It was first reported by ESPN.

Love's withdrawal comes a day after the Americans announced that Washington Wizards guard Bradley Beal would miss the Olympics because he was in health and safety protocols.

Love would have been trying for a second Olympic gold medal, having played for the Americans in London in 2012. He also was on the team that won gold two years earlier in

the world championships.

That past USA Basketball experience helped him get selected for this roster despite his difficult NBA season. Love missed 46 games because of the injury and averaged just 12.2 points in 25 games. He played in two of the Americans' three exhibition games in Las Vegas, scoring one point.

The U.S. was already short-handed before the losses of Beal and Love. Milwaukee's Jrue Holiday and Khris Middleton, along with Phoenix star Devin Booker, won't join the team until after the NBA Finals.

The Americans canceled their Friday night exhibition against Australia because of health and safety concerns.

Southwood's finest dominant in Tipton stop of Little City Tour

Tour will conclude Thursday, July 22 at Rock Hallow in Peru

By **CLAY MAXFIELD**
Wabash Plain Dealer
Freelance Reporter

In the penultimate event of the Little City Junior Tour of 2021, golfers from MSD of Wabash County and Southwood High School showed promise as junior Luke Watson finished fourth out of 14 while eighth-grader Griffin Chambers finished in second among all middle-schoolers.

Southwood junior Jordan Trisler showed promise throughout the day as well when competing against the crowded field.

Afterward, Watson was pleased with the direction his game is trending throughout the off-season while focusing on mental hurdles throughout the tour.

"I've been hard on myself lately because I've been playing good," Watson said. "I want to keep playing good so I just need to have fun with it and not

be hard on myself and let it turn into a bad day out here."

Watson, who has dominated throughout the tour, finished shooting eight over par. He has also shown promise in other stops of the tour this summer, finishing first last Monday at Rochester while also harnessing a second-place finish at Etna Acres, third at Peru Municipal and fourth at Chippendale.

"The first couple of Little City were OK. I improved last time at Round Barn and won that so I'm gradually getting better every time so I'm just trying to keep continuing that and hope that follows through for the golf season this spring," Watson said.

While Jordan Trisler didn't place in the Tipton event, he still is finding a summer of improvement after playing in four of the eight events so far while continuing to lower his scores each time.

"I'm doing good, I've got a couple of decent shots but a couple of them aren't so good. ... I've just been looking to get some pars and practice on my driv-

ing. My putting has gotten better, I've been able to cut down the amount of puts I've needed," Trisler said.

Finally, Griffin Chambers continued his hot streak when he finished second after shooting five over. Griffin has managed to hit his stride this summer on the golf course after putting together three first-place finishes at Etna Acres, Logansport's Dykeman Park as well as Peru Municipal. Chambers also placed third at Kokomo's Chippendale.

With his second-place finish, Griffin was adamant about keeping a positive attitude while using the opportunity at Tipton as a learning experience that will better prep him for future competition.

"It's not the best today but I got to keep pushing through it," Griffin said. "I got to keep my head high and play through the mistakes while learning off of them."

The Little City Tour will conclude Thursday, July 22 at Rock Hallow in Peru.

Clay Maxfield, Wabash Plain Dealer freelance reporter, may be reached by email at sports@wabashplaindealer.com.

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Single woman fears she may never be a wife and mother

DEAR ABBY: I am a 31-year-old woman who has been in many relationships since high school. No engagements, however, although four of the men mentioned they wanted to marry me. I lived with three of them.

I'm a former model, have almost completed my second master's degree and hold a steady government job. I don't understand why I feel so depressed just because no one has ever wanted to marry me. I have wanted kids my entire life and thought I would have three before I was 30. Now I cry every day thinking how I may never be in a relationship with anyone who will love me enough to marry me, or have kids with me because marriage never happened.

I have a college fund set up for my "future" children and have done everything in my life to prepare to be a mom. I paid off my student loans early, got a car that was perfect for car seats and a dog that's a good breed for kids. I just don't know where to turn next. — Yearns To Be Wife/Mom

DEAR YEARNS: You seem to be a nice, accomplished woman with traditional values. Could it be possible that you are so focused on getting married that you have chased away your suitors? From what you have written, you may have put the cart before the horse. Allow a relationship to play out naturally before focusing on a rush to the altar.

Although you yearn for marriage before maternity, it's important you don't forget there may be other options. Marriage isn't in the cards for everyone. Some single women focus on their careers and/or adopt children who need loving homes. You could be one of them if you expand your horizons.

DEAR ABBY: I am currently struggling with a difficult parent. Actually, I have struggled with this relationship as far back as I can remember. My parent can be extremely hurtful and nasty at times, and when it happens, I feel stripped naked. I become almost paralyzed with pain and can barely stomach being in the same room with this person. Please help me find a way to handle these episodes appropriately with some level of functionality. I'm in my 50s now and in menopause, which is making everything more difficult. — Sad Beyond Words

DEAR SAD: This isn't a new problem; it's a very old one. Ask yourself what this person has to offer you other than more abuse. Warn your parent that you will no longer tolerate being treated the way you have been, and the moment it starts, leave the premises or hang up the phone. Repeat your message if/when it happens again, and do not go back for more abuse. This is called drawing the line (better late than never) and protecting yourself. If apologies are offered, fine. If not, you are free.

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- 27 Hung around
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- 10 Grass fungus
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How to play: Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9.

PREVIOUS SOLUTION

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Yesterday's Jumbles: TENTH PIXEL BESTOW TROPHY Answer: They bought the very expensive manuka honey and hoped the honey would — "BEE" WORTH IT

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

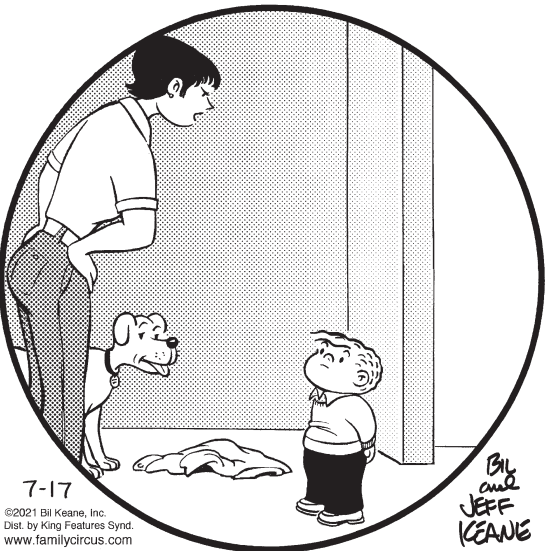


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(Answers Monday)

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By Bil Keane

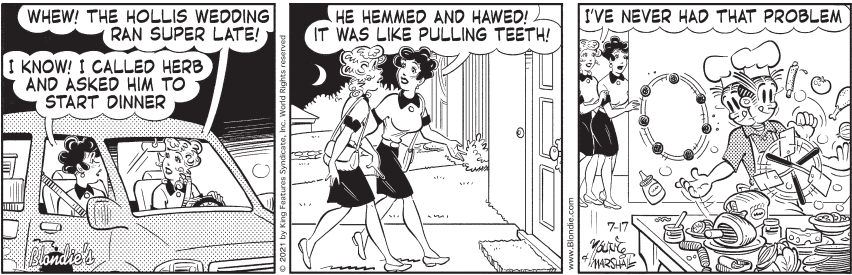


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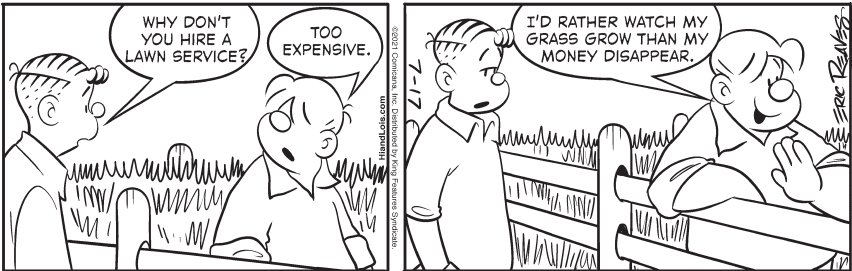
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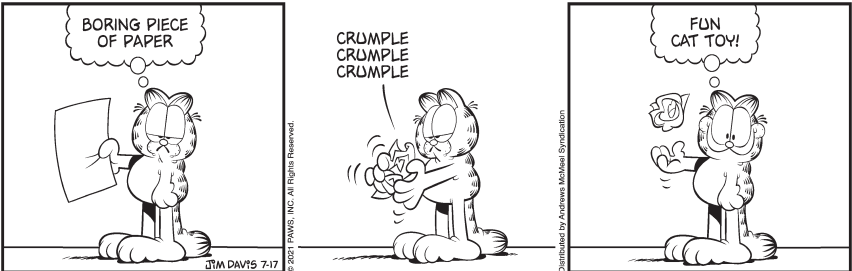
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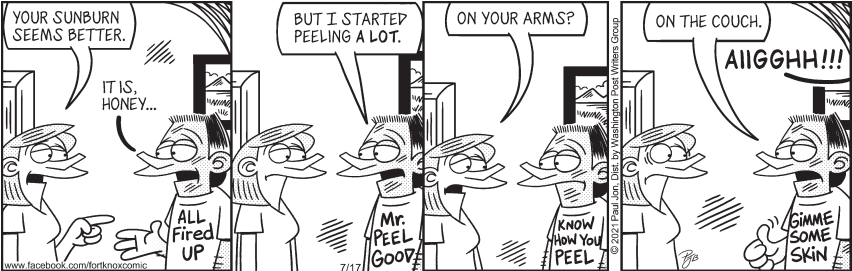
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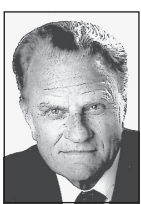
PICKLES



What this world calls valuable, God calls worthless

Q: I am studying human behavior and have to write about the things that influence people the most. My classmates do not agree on the most significant things that shape people's lives. Doesn't it seem that culture is the dominant influence? There is so much destruction within culture, how can we escape the bad and find the good? — L.I.

Billy Graham
My Answer



A: Many things confront us in life that shape our thinking and our desires. When someone has been going to church and doing things that please God and suddenly their lifestyle changes, there is reason for concern. We all should be on the alert, because for many people it doesn't take much to divert

attention from the more important things in life. There are so many messages that rain down on us every day: television ads, emails and social media, phone calls, magazines, junk mail, videos, billboards, conversations — the list is almost endless. How many of them subtly convince us that the road is paved with possessions, or beauty, or money, or fame, or any of a hundred other things? How many of them persuade us that the

most important thing in life is financial success or the esteem from others? It is hard to resist the cumulative impact of so many messages.

What this world calls valuable, God calls worthless. What this world scorns, God exalts. Pray for those who have drifted from God and gone the way of the world. We must be consistent in life as a testimony to the Lord. God says our thinking must be shaped by His truth, and His truth is the Word of God.

CELEBRITY CIPHER

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

"G K X V Y O A F Y J J Y V U C A C N H X M C V , Y Z P V F A C E F P O E A X W R , ' V P G F K X H K C V H X W W P J Y A A F Y J J Y V U C A C N H X M C V . ' " — C V U X W C O X J I X W

Previous Solution: "Everyone likes happiness, no one likes pain. But you can't have a rainbow without a little rain." — Ingmar Bergman

TODAY'S CLUE: N S I E N B E N



Church Directory

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Gospel Light Assembly of God, 347 Southwood Drive. Pastor Neil Jeffrey. Sunday School 9:45am (all ages). Morning worship service 10:30am. Evening service 6pm. Wednesday midweek service 7pm; Kids' Korral Wednesday 7pm. Youth meeting 7pm (ages 12-19).

Sweetwater Assembly of God, 2551 SR 114 E, North Manchester. (260) 982-6179. Sunday worship 9am & 10:45am. Sunday evening outreach groups & youth ministry 5-7pm. Wednesday 6:30pm adult/teen bible study, 6:30pm Kidz Zone (K thru 6th grade). All worship services streaming online and on our Facebook page.

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Wabash Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), 110 W. Hill St., Wabash; Stephen Eberhard, Minister; phone: 260-563-4179; website: www.wabashchristian.org. Worship Service 9:30 a.m. Nursery provided. Find us on YouTube and Facebook.

FRIENDS CHURCH

Wabash Friends Church, 3563 S State Rd 13. (260) 563-8452. Lead Pastor, Brandon Eaton. Join us for in-person worship at 8:30AM or 10:45AM, or via live-stream on Facebook at 10:45AM. Children's programming available infants - 6th grade. Sunday school for all ages at 9:45AM. Youth (7th-12th) Sunday evenings at 6:30PM.

INDEPENDENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Bachelor Creek Church of Christ, 4 miles north of Wabash on St. Rd. 15; phone 260-563-4109; website: bachelorcreek.com; Worship Minister - Michael Eaton, Student Minister - David Diener, Children's Minister - Tyler Leland, Middle School & Small Groups Minister - Nate Plyler, Next Steps & Outreach Minister - Ryan Keim, Women's Director- Taylor McFarland, Early Childhood Director - Janet Legesse. Worship 9:15 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.

LUTHERAN

Living Faith Lutheran Church (NALC), 242 S. Huntington St., Wabash, IN. Worship begins each Sunday morning at 10:10 a.m. with Bible study classes for all ages at 9:00 a.m. Everyone is welcome to join us for worship. Worship Services live streamed on our website. www.LivingFaithWabash.org

Trinity Lutheran Church (ELCA), 1500 S Wabash Street. Pastor Dr. Kent Young. (260) 563-6626. We worship our Lord each Sunday at 9:30am with Gospel-based message and Holy Communion. There is a time of fellowship and refreshments immediately following the service. We are handicap accessible and everyone is welcome at Trinity! tlcwabash@gmail.com.

UNITED METHODIST

North Manchester United Methodist Church, 306 E Second Street, North Manchester. Pastor Steve Bahrt. (260) 982-7537. Worship Service 8:15am & 10:30am. Coffee Fellowship 9am. Sunday School 9:30am.

Richvalley United Methodist Church, 290 N Jefferson. (260) 563-1033. Pastor Jack Suits. Worship service begins at 9:30am. Nursery available. Sunday School begins at 10:45am for all age.






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Ephesians 2:1-22	Ephesians 3:1-21	Ephesians 4:1-16	Ephesians 4:17-32	Ephesians 5:1-20	Ephesians 5:21-6:4	Ephesians 6:10-24

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The historic Hotel LaFontaine, located in downtown Huntington, was built in 1925. A collaborative effort with the Historic Landmarks Foundation and generous donations converted the high-end hotel into affordable senior living apartments.

“We serve individuals 62 years and older, as well as those 18 and older who are mobility impaired,” Bekel said.

With internal mail delivery, elevators and coin-operated laundry, residents enjoy on-site amenities that allow them to retain their independence.

The LaFontaine Center’s location allows residents to walk to shops and restaurants. If they need transportation, Huntington Area Transport takes residents to other stores or appointments.

In cooperation with Aging and In-Home Services, the LaFontaine Center also serves as host facility and pick-up site for daily meals. Individuals 60 and older can pick up a frozen meal to warm up eat at home.

The Commercial Kitchen, Ballroom and Red Brick Room are available for the community’s and residents’ use.

“We rent the ballroom for weddings, receptions, community meetings,” Bekel said. “The residents are able to use as needed, too.”

The facility’s social area, the Red Brick Room, is available for the residents’ private parties and family gatherings at no additional charge.

Providing free activities for the residents is one of the staff’s priorities and helps build a sense of community among the residents. They can play bingo, join in Sunday carry-in dinners, attend programs and presentations, and celebrate each other during monthly birthday parties.

“It’s definitely a home-like environment,” Bekel said. “There’s plenty of room for residents to socialize.”

The center also has an on-site social worker who helps residents access services, such as home health care and Social Security benefits, if needed.

As a member of the Retirement Housing Foundation, the LaFontaine Center is committed to providing high quality, affordable independent living options for qualified people.

“We have a very friendly group of residents,” Bekel said. “It’s like a big family environment here.”

For more information about the LaFontaine Center, visit www.lafontainecenter.org or call 260-356-9909.

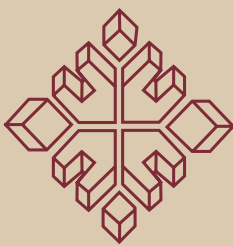


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